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1. In late September, there was a prisoners of war camp containing about 1,000 United Nations soldiers, mixed Caucasian and Negro troops, 12 kilometers west of Kangdong (126-05, 39-09) on the main road to P'yongyang. Small rooms housed 40 prisoners each. The prisoners wore North Korean uniforms and were fed 800 grams of rice daily with an addition of a little salt and vegetables. Lectures on Communism were given three or four hours daily by one of the prisoners, who was Japanese<sup>1</sup>; but no prisoners were maltreated or forced to work. In late September, there were other prisoners of war camps at Pyoktong (125-26, 40-38) (YF 0600) and Sakchu (125-03, 40-23) (XE 7472).
2. In early July about 700 Caucasian and Negro prisoners of war spent one night in front of Sukchon (125-37, 39-24) (YD 2564) railroad station guarded by one platoon of Chinese Communist troops. The prisoners' destination was rumored to be Manchuria; they travelled on foot and wore ragged fatigues, the majority being without shoes or hats. Each prisoner was issued 1 small mal<sup>2</sup> of cooked millet powder which was carried in mess kits or tin cans. One Chinese medical officer accompanied the prisoners.

1. ☐ Comment. Presumably the prisoner acts as interpreter during lectures.

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2. ☐ Comment. About one quarter bushel.

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